

500,000 FIRE BOMBS SEAR REICH

Lombardo Urges ILO Role Be Revised

By George Morris
(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

PHILADELPHIA, April 25.—Constructive development of the productive capacities of Latin America is the key to making the vast resources below the Rio Grande a great progressive factor in postwar prospects for the world, Vicente Lombardo Toledano, told the ILO today.

Red Army Gets U. S. Thunderbolts

WASHINGTON, April 25 (UP).—The United States sent lend-lease weapons to Allied nations in January and February at the record weekly rate of 7,000 vehicles, 230 tanks, and 250 planes, including the first shipment to Russia of P-47 Thunderbolt fighters, Foreign Economic Administrator Leo T. Crowley announced tonight.

In a report covering the first two months of 1944, he said that peak rate shipments totaled more than 2,100 planes, almost 2,000 tanks, and more than 60,000 trucks, jeeps, and tank destroyers.

He disclosed for the first time that Soviet airmen are flying the long-range, high-altitude P-47's, considered one of the best U. S. fighter planes and widely used to accompany Flying Fortresses and Liberators on bombing missions deep in enemy territory.

The report said that American planes—Mitchell B-26s, Douglas A-20s (Havocs), P-47 Thunderbolts, P-39 Alcobras and P-40 Warhawks—are now fighting side by side on the Soviet front with planes produced in Soviet factories.

The mainstay of lend-lease plane shipments to the Soviet Union is the P-39, which is liked by the Red Army but has met with some criticism from American and British fliers.

Military observers believe the reason for this is that the Soviets use Alcobras in tactical operations in support of ground troops rather than as escorts or to ward off air attacks on ground installations.

21st Marshall Atoll Captured by Yanks

PEARL HARBOR, April 25 (UP).—American assault forces have invaded and occupied Ujialang atoll, westernmost of the Marshalls, establishing a base only 264 miles from Ponape on the eastern edge of the Japanese-held Carolines, it was announced today.

U. S. troops met and overcame light enemy opposition in their quick conquest of the atoll, which represented the most westerly advance of America's ground forces in the Central Pacific.

Ujialang, 21st Marshall atoll taken by the United States, was occupied Saturday and Sunday while American bombers ranged far ahead to raid enemy strongholds on the expanding Central Pacific battlefield.

Ujialang lies 136 statute miles southwest of Eniwetok, and 422 miles west of Kwajalein, our main base in the Marshalls.

In the New Tab--Meet the Man Who First Exposed Nazi Plotters

The man who did perhaps more than any other person in America to expose the workings of the Nazi fifth columnists and anti-Semites on our shores will grace the pages of the new Daily Worker tabloid as a weekly guest columnist, when the tabloid makes its bow on May second.

The Daily Worker takes pride in announcing as guest columnist, John L. Spivak, noted newspaperman, author, and for years a particularly sharp thorn in the sides of our native fascists.

Spivak, known as "Jack" to his many friends, will write an informal, intimate, styled column based on the stories behind the now-famous stories he dug up in the USA, in Nazi Germany, the late unlamented Mussolini's Italy, Central and South America. The noted

Lombardo, president of the Latin American Confederation of Labor, challenged past practice of such developments being guided in the interest of world monopolies.

Additional government spokesmen also addressed the representatives of 40 countries here during the second day of the discussion on post-war perspectives.

Interest in the discussion was practically sidetracked today when

Text of Ivestia statement on ILO appears on page 2.

news dispatches gave out dribs from an editorial of the Soviet Union's official newspaper Ivestia.

The 75 reporters scattered fast to press conference spokesmen and delegates for comment.

Since the opening of the conference, the absence of the Soviet Union stood out as its outstanding feature.

Carter Goodrich, chairman of the governing body of the ILO, refused comment. Most others were equally cautious. No one but Lombardo would comment on the Soviet Union's funeral services over the League of Nations. In a straightforward statement he fully endorsed the Soviet suggestion that the ILO must be revised to become an organ of the United Nations.

Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, chairman of the U. S. delegation, took at face value a dispatch which said the Soviet editorial declared the ILO "bankrupt." It is not known whether Miss Perkins checked to receive the full text of the editorial to notice that the reference was distorted. She said she assumed that Ivestia does "not necessarily represent the USSR government position."

Her statement disputed the reported assertion that the ILO is "bankrupt." She expressed a belief that the conference looks forward to "strengthening the structure of the ILO and adapting it to meet the additional responsibilities in the post-war period."

Lombardo told reporters:

"The ILO was the result of the first World War.

"From the second World War there should arise a workers' organization which represents the ideals for which the United Nations fought, and since these ideals consist fundamentally of the utilization of democratic policy throughout the world, the ILO should be at the service of these ideals."

"Therefore, the workers' organization should revise its statutes and structure both to serve better for victory as well as to serve the reconstruction of the world of tomorrow. I cannot conceive, as I said when I came to Philadelphia, that the ILO could exist outside of the United Nations. I consider it must be an organ of the United Nations today and tomorrow."

Joseph Hallsworth, labor delegate from England, said that some "difficulties" existed with Soviet

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Labor, Civic Leaders Urge End of Poll Tax

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Passage of the anti-poll tax bill HR 7 was asked today by many religious, labor and Negro leaders in a petition to the United States Senate.

William Green, AFL president, and Philip Murray CIO president, are among the signers.

The petitions, presented to the Senate by the National Committee to Abolish the Poll Tax, were signed by such leaders as Robert E. Lacey, Archbishop of San Antonio, Texas; Bishop Bromley Oxman of Boston; Rev. Dr. De Sola Pool of New York City; Bishop G. Ashton Oldham of Albany, N. Y.

Also George Meany AFL secretary; Matthew Woll, AFL vice-president; Julius Lohman of the Railway Labor Executives Association; A. F. Whitney, president, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and R. J. Thomas, president, the United Automobile Workers.

Also such Negro leaders as Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Dr. Peter-son of Tuskegee Institute, Paul Robeson, Dr. Channing Tobias and others.

See Gov't Acting On Avery's Defi

WASHINGTON, April 25 (UP).—Government action to compel Montgomery Ward & Co., Chicago, to comply with a War Labor Board directive appeared certain tonight after a White House spokesman announced that Sewell L. Avery, president of the firm, had ignored President Roosevelt's noon compliance deadline.

In other defiance cases, the government usually has taken over the company concerned and there were some reports that this might be done.

The President Sunday ordered Avery to comply immediately with the WLB decision and instructed the union to call off a strike authorized because of the company's continued defiance. He gave both sides until noon today, warning that such steps as the interest of the nation require would be initiated unless they accepted his terms.

The CIO United Retail, Wholesale and Department Store employees called off the work stoppage. Taking note of this fact, the spokesman said:

"It is now after noon in Chicago. As of noon, no acknowledgment from the president of Montgomery Ward has been received. The President will be advised of that fact."

The WLB has ordered the company to extend a contract with the union pending a new determination by the National Labor Relations Board of the union's bargaining status. The company refused.

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Justice Elcher, however, did not ask them whether they were of Jewish descent as he had started to do with other veniremen last week at the request of the defense. He did, however, ask them what churches they belonged to. If any of the 30 were of Jewish descent, said to be belonged to no church.

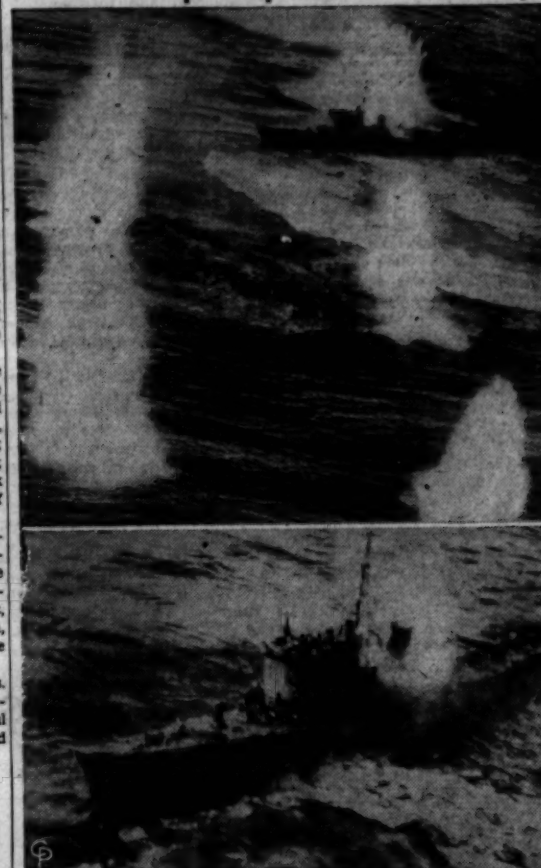
Defense attorneys who had let similar answers by other veniremen pass without protest, wanted to know then if Mr. Kaadon had ever been a church member. Yes, was the answer, he had been a member of a Hebrew congregation in Connecticut for a year.

Insistent demands that Mr. Kaadon be disqualified then came from J. Austin Latimer, attorney for George Deatherage, and from Ira Chase Koehne, who represents Ernest Elmhurst, of Staten Island, author of the World Box, an anti-Jewish book.

Justice Elcher refused this and accepted the juror after he told the court in reply to a question

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Yanks Trap Japanese Warship



Bombs dropped by airmen of the Fifth U. S. Air Force splintered around a Japanese warship (top) caught off the coast of New Ireland during a raid on enemy shipping near Kavieng. Her engines sputtered (bottom) she makes an easy target as the Yank bombardiers sweep in close and plaster her with hits. Shortly after, she was sent to the bottom. Official U. S. Army Air Force photos.

12 Tentatively Picked On Sedition Trial Jury

By Art Shields
(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The big sedition trial picked up speed today as 12 men and women were tentatively chosen to try Joe McWilliams, Lawrence Dennis, and 28 other defendants.

Jury selection began this morning after James J. Laughlin, attorney for klanman Edward James Smythe, announced that he was filing a motion to call Charles E. Coughlin of Detroit as a defense witness.

Defense attorneys vehemently objected to Mrs. Emma Case, the wife of an army colonel and the mother of a West Point cadet, the first tentative juror selected. They objected to every prospective juror with relatives in the armed services. They loudly objected to the one Jew, who was chosen and to every government employee.

Tomorrow defense attorneys will begin to whittle down the 12 selectees by peremptory challenges, their limit is ten. The government can also use peremptory challenges.

There is danger that the jury panel will be exhausted and the trial delayed another week. Only 18 venire members including two Negroes are still in reserve.

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The publishers then heard a longer address by Lieut.-General Jacob Devers, Mediterranean Theater commander, brought here by a special electrical wire recording device. Devers said each publisher should consider himself, during the emergency, "bound to the nation by the oath of allegiance similar to that taken by each officer and enlisted man of our Army and Navy."

The recording device which brought the Devers message, called the magnetic wire recorder, was demonstrated to the public for the first time at the convention. It is manufactured by General Electric and is being used today at the front to make permanent records of military operations.

SLAP AT DEFEATIST PRESS

General Devers said newspapers must be considered just as much a part of the fighting forces as units of the Army, Navy and the workers in office, factory and farm.

"It is true this may call for the temporary relinquishment of prerogatives, possibly those prerogatives which are guaranteed the press by our Constitution and which are included in the freedoms for which we are fighting," he declared. "But it will be remembered that every soldier foregoes rights and prerogatives."

"One of the obligations as I see it, perhaps the paramount obligation of the press at this time, is to make permanent records of military operations."

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500,000 Nazis Lost In Southern Russia

LONDON, April 25 (UP).—The Red Army has killed or captured more than 500,000 Germans during the past nine months of fighting in southern Russia alone, and it plans to bring about the capitulation of Germany by inflicting the final blow inside the borders of the Reich itself.

In cooperation with the Soviet Union's western Allies, a Soviet spokesman said tonight in a Moscow broadcast.

The spokesman was Daniel Zhabrovitch Manuilsky, a member of the Executive Committee of the Communist Party and former chief of the Moscow newspaper Pravda's foreign affairs department.

He said the current aim of the Red Army was to expel the Germans from the approximately 140,000 square miles of Soviet territory they hold and then deal a final blow "not on the territory of the enemy's racial states but on the territory of Germany itself to achieve in cooperation with our Allies the routing of the German Fascist Army and capitulation of Fascist Germany in close cooperation with the Allies."

"By its victories the Red Army has in every way made easier for our Allies the possibility of opening large-scale military operations in the west and south, which are being awaited with impatience by the whole world," Manuilsky said.

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Summarizing the achievements of the Soviet offensive which started last July 13 and ended April 15, Manuilsky said incomplete figures for the fighting in southern Russia, exclusive of the Crimea, showed more than 500,000 Germans killed or captured.

Recent summaries broadcast by Moscow have revealed that the First, Second and Third Ukrainian Fronts killed 385,510 Germans and captured 79,262 between March 4 and April 15 of this year during the Ukrainian campaign, much of which was not fought in southern Russia. Crimean casualties broadcast by Moscow have been 41,000 of the enemy killed and 30,500 captured between April 8 and 19.

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2,000 Yank Bombers Hit Nazi Europe

LONDON, April 25 (UP).—Nearly 2,000 American bombers and fighters rocked Adolf Hitler's European citadel anew today, hammering seven Luftwaffe airfields, coastal defenses in France and Belgium and industrial targets in southwest Germany, after the RAF, in the greatest fire-raid in history, cascaded more than 200,000 incendiaries on the Reich overnight.

Climaxing another 24-hour period in which an estimated 3,000 Allied warplanes have roared over thousands of square miles of Europe, the Britain-based U. S. bombers and fighters carried through the ninth straight day the greatest, sustained air bombardment in history.

Since 6 P. M. Saturday until tonight, an estimated 12,000 Allied war planes have pounded Europe from Britain and Italy.

Five hundred four-engine Flying Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by 750 Mustangs, Thunderbolts and Lightning fighters, paced the daylight assault with raids on Luftwaffe airfields at Nancy, Metz and Dijon in France, and industrial targets in southwest Germany in a continuation of their ceaseless war of attrition against the Luftwaffe and German war industry.

Another 250 Liberators, escorted by fighters, streaked across the English Channel and left new craters amid Field Marshal Gen. von Rundstedt's Pas de Calais defenses, while more than 200 Me-109s and Havoc bombers issued the same areas.

Thunderbolt fighter bombers of the U. S. 8th Air Force dive-bombed two airfields in western Germany and another near Ypres, Belgium, without loss.

British medium bombers and fighters joined the daylight assault, mixing with the hundreds of American planes that crossed and recrossed the Straits of Dover in almost non-stop raids on northern France.

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A 'Time Bomb' Ticks Off Its Last Seconds

By a Veteran Commander

FOR THE third day in succession the Soviet communique consists virtually of one phrase: "No material changes occurred at the fronts." This does not mean that the Red Army is through with its offensive. It means that it is preparing to launch a new and bigger one any day.

The aerial offensive against Europe has reached a new climax, both in numbers of planes, sorties and tonnage of bombs dropped, and in geographical scope. Viewed in the light of the obvious conviction of our military leaders that air war alone cannot be decisive, it appears to be a sure portent of big things to come ON LAND, soon.

On the War Fronts

Great Britain beginning Thursday at midnight will not permit anybody to leave the tight little island, presumably until D-day. Such an unprecedented security measure cannot conceivably be taken without being followed by decisive military action.

Thus the great "time bomb" placed under the Fuehrer's seat is ticking off the last fateful seconds. Of course, time bombs may be set for hours, days, or even weeks. We don't know how long the thing will tick in the ominous pre-invasion silence. The timing may be very well determined by the condition of the terrain on the northern and central sectors of the Eastern Front, because this is obviously to be a concerted effort and our men will land on the beaches of Western Europe simultaneously with their Soviet comrades reining the attack in the East.

As far as we are concerned, our slogan should be—patience and no kibitzing. The time appears near. . . .

IN THE FAR EAST the situation appears to be improving in Burma and India and deteriorating in Honan Province.

The threat to Kohima, Imphal and Dimapur seems to be waning and the Japanese appear again to have sent a boy to do a man's job.

However, in North China they have been more clever and have attacked in force precisely where the reactionary Chinese generals are not quite sure who their main enemy is—the Japanese or the Eighth People's Army. The result of this calculation is that the enemy is about to achieve his primary objective—the capture of the Peiping-Hankow railroad. The Japanese attacked with about 80,000 men.

It has been reported that hundreds of thousands of the best Chinese troops are doing nothing aside from blockading the Eighth Army. The fact that the Japanese have been able to make such fast progress around Chengchow tends to show that these crack Chinese troops may not have been used against them.

It is high time for Vice-President Wallace to find out what is going on in Chungking. This is not interference in China's internal affairs. It is a matter of finding out who fights whom in the camp of our great Pacific allies. Our interest in this matter is as legitimate as our interest in the affairs of Poland, Greece, Yugoslavia, etc. After all, we are in the same war boat and we don't want anybody to rock it unnecessarily.

Patton's Insolence Won't Win the War

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, newly arrived from Italy for a European theater assignment, shot his mouth off again yesterday, this time asserting that it "is the destiny of the British and American people to rule the world."

Patton's provocative statement which was un-requested by the British and American people, was made to a London audience at the opening of a Welcoming Club for American soldiers.

He praised the idea of the club "because undoubtedly it is our destiny to rule the world and the more we see of each other the better." Whether the rest of the world (which has no intentions of being ruled by anybody, not even British

and Americans) react to Patton's stupidity or not is beside the point.

The War Department ought to tell this general that if he means to help kill Nazis, that is perfectly OK.

On all other matters, he ought to keep quiet. Generals like Patton should be seen in action, but not heard.

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the "Skala Pocket" which cost the enemy 32,988 men, and at the pocket above Nikolayev where 50,859 Germans were killed or captured.

Pointing out that the Red Army now stands along the Carpathians and the Czech border and also is fighting inside Romania, Manulsky said: "It creates a threat to the flanks of Germany."

He revealed that important economic blows were struck against the Germans by the capture of the vast Donetsk coal basin; Krivoy Rog's ore; Nikopol's manganese; the Ukraine's grain, and the important Black Sea ports of Novorossiysk and Odessa.

SOVIETS 4/5 LIBERATED
Manulsky revealed that about four-fifths of Soviet territory occupied by the Germans at their high-water mark had been liberated, leaving them 140,000 square miles, most of it in the north and the Soviet Baltic Republics.

"The proposal of the Soviet government to recognize the Curzon Line as the Polish-Soviet frontier found favorable reception in governing circles of our Allies and has placed the Polish reactionaries in a comic situation," Manulsky declared in summarizing the Soviets' various border disputes.

Speaking of the Yugoslav question, he said that "even the Hitlerites could not make much use of (Gen. Draja) Mihailovich. . . . All the world knows that forces commanded by Marshal Tito (Josip Broz) are the forces really fighting the Germans in the Balkans."

He added that the recent Soviet-Czech agreement demonstrated the Soviet Union wanted friendly neighbors, "not gangster countries like the Poland of Beck (Josef Beck, Polish Foreign Minister at the outbreak of war) which would become a hot-bed of anti-Soviet intrigue and a herald of new wars."

SOVIETS BOMB LATVIA JUNCTIONS

LONDON, April 25 (UP).—Moscow announced tonight that for the fourth successive day there were "no important changes" on the long Eastern Front.

The daily Moscow war bulletin reported that long-range Soviet

Anti-FDR Clique Plans Nat'l Caucus

The American National Democratic Committee, set up to oppose President Roosevelt for renomination, will hold a pre-convention caucus in St. Louis June 1 to 3, its chairman, Gleason L. Archer, announced yesterday.

The purpose of the conference will be to decide on nominations for president and vice-president and to draw up a platform.

Archer claimed that state committees have been established in four eastern, seven southern and eight western states.

The organization is the outfit of the Coughlinite elements in the Democratic Party who have frequently threatened to bolt that party if the President is renominated. It is considered likely that they will endorse the GOP candidate after the Democratic convention.

O'CONNOR ON BODY
Vice-chairman of the Committee is ex-congressman John J. O'Connor, notorious disruptionist from New York City, who urged a Dewey-Farley ticket recently. O'Connor is on the payroll of Congressman Martin Kennedy, anti-Roosevelt Democrat from New York County.

National treasurer is William Goodwin, head of the fascist American Rock Party of Queens.

Japanese Retreating on India Front

ILO Must Reflect Coalition, Not Defunct League--Izvestia

The International Labor Office, now in session in Philadelphia, cannot enjoy proper authority unless it begins to reflect the United Nations, the Soviet Government newspaper, Izvestia asserted in a leading editorial yesterday.

The editorial pointed out that the ILO has been ineffective in the past, and that it shelters elements "who are seeking a common language with the fascist countries."

If the ILO becomes attached to the United Nations rather than the defunct League of Nations, and if democratic changes are introduced to strengthen labor's voice in its direction, Soviet trade unions would agree to participate in its work, Izvestia said.

The text of the editorial, as cabled via Inter-Continental News, follows in full:

TEXT OF EDITORIAL

"In his opening speech the chairman of the Administrative Council of the ILO expressed regret at the 'gap' caused by the absence of representatives of the Soviet Union to the conference. Lately certain newspapers and radio commentators have been 'disturbed' at the alleged 'uncertainty' over this question and in some cases even expressed their 'perplexity' on this score."

"There are no grounds for 'perplexity.' Why, the question of the Soviet Union's attitude to the ILO is absolutely clear."

"This organization, established a quarter century ago, is an offspring of the League of Nations. Throughout the period of its existence, the ILO has been organizationally within the system of the League of Nations institutions and under its immediate political control and leadership."

"Also it is well known that as a result of the League of Nations' hostile act towards the Soviet Union in December 1929, the Soviet Union has no contact with the League of Nations and its institutions. What is more, in February 1940, the ILO itself saw fit to declare that the Soviet Union had automatically lost the right to be a member of this organization."

ILO AT PRESENT

"But this is not all. In the light of the vital importance to the regular masses of international cooperation in the sphere of labor, social policy, labor legislation, social welfare, etc., it is quite legitimate to ask the question whether the ILO in its present form answers the tasks facing this organization."

"The work of the ILO has shown in practice that since the day of its existence, this institution has not enjoyed any particular authority, as a result of which its activity has not been very effective. It is known for instance that numerous recommendations and conventions elaborated by the ILO have rarely been realized in practice, remaining on paper for the most part."

"Voices have often been raised about the instability and even bankruptcy of this institution. Matters have even gone so far that at the eighth conference of this organization the chairman of the General Council of the TUC (British Trades Union Congress) at that time, Pugh, could not fail to note the indifference, contempt and actual non-recognition of the ILO decisions shown by the governments since these decisions remained declarations which were not carried out."

DURING THE WAR

"One cannot fail to note that since the outbreak of the war, the ILO's authority has by no means grown. At the time of mortal struggle of the democratic countries against Hitlerite Germany and her satellites, the ILO leadership in every way stressed that it was not an organ of the United Nations conducting joint struggle against the common enemy, but a kind of 'international organization' into which certain leaders of this bureau tried to invite various fascist countries."

"Suffice it to recall the outrageous fact of sending invitations to the Hitlerite satellites, Finland, Romania and Hungary. This fact, which at the time evoked great indignation among the democratic public of the Allied countries, testifies that a refuge has been found in the ILO also by elements who

even during the present war are seeking a common language with the fascist countries."

"All this shows that the present organization of the ILO far from corresponds to its tasks. As a remaining appendage of the no longer existing League of Nations, the ILO cannot enjoy proper authority."

"The Soviet labor organizations long since realized this. Naturally the Soviet trade unions have displayed the initiative in seeing the necessity for certain organizational steps primarily with respect to having the ILO cease to be an appendage of the League of Nations and becoming an organ of the United Nations rallied for the carrying through of great tasks in the struggle against the common enemy of the democratic countries."

"Given this condition all the obstacles in the way of the participation of the Soviet Union's representatives in the organization of the international collaboration of labor will also disappear."

"Apparently the necessity of such a reorganization of the ILO has already been widely recognized. For example, the BBC correspondent delegated to the Philadelphia conference reports the 'organizations of a world labor parliament.'"

"Among the Soviet trade unions there is also expressed the idea of the desirability of greater democratization of the ILO to strengthen the voice of the workers' organizations so vitally interested in international collaboration on labor

problems. The Soviet trade unions, for example, have expressed a desire to see the number of trade union representatives of the ILO increased. Such a desire could be met if the number of representatives from trade unions would be increased to equal the number of the representatives of employers and governments taken together."

"The Soviet trade unions also expressed the desire to see in addition to the restricted composition of the executive bodies of the ILO, that broader conferences be convened of representatives of countries participating in this organization."

"These suggestions of the Soviet trade unions which are now being discussed in Soviet circles and of which also the Allied countries are informed, are aimed at securing more democratic forms of organization of the ILO which would correspond in greater degree to the tasks of international collaboration of the democratic countries in the field of labor."

"It is obviously clear to the broad public in the democratic countries that precisely in the matter of international collaboration on labor problems and improvement of living conditions of the workers, the participation of the Soviet Union, a country where the working class is in power, is especially important and valuable."

"The necessity of such collaboration, provided there are definite prerequisites, is recognized also in the broadest circles of the Soviet public."

Argentine Gov't Bans May 1 Labor Rallies

(Daily Worker Foreign Department)

All May Day demonstrations in Argentina were prohibited when even government-sponsored labor unions refused to guarantee that slogans calling for "liberty and democracy" would be suppressed.

Monday's issue of the Socialist newspaper "La Vanguardia" was seized and the paper was banned because it had published articles criticizing the Government's failure to respect the constitutional rights and liberties of the Argentine people.

The Gen. Edelmiro Farrell government, apparently according to demands of the rabid pro-Nazi Minister of the Interior, General Luis Cesar Perlinger, has recently intensified its onslaught against democratic groups favoring cooperation with the United Nations.

Last week Dr. J. Honorio Sanguera, Minister of Justice and Public Instruction, resigned in protest against compulsory Catholic teaching in the schools. Subsequently a college professor, Esteban Rondonalia was suspended from Bariloche National College for writing a critical article on this subject, and a number of teachers were discharged as alleged "Communists."

Police halted public showings Saturday of the Hollywood film, "Hitler's Children," which pro-Nazis felt was "too strong." The ban on May Day meetings also applies to pro-Axis forces who were planning a "March of Sovereignty," according to the pro-Nazi German language newspaper "Deutsche La Plata Zeitung."

Sholem Asch to Speak At Rally Here Sunday

Sholem Asch, author of the best seller "The Apostle," will be the principal speaker at a mass meeting sponsored by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists, Sunday, April 30 at 2 P.M. at Manhattan Center in New York City.

Other prominent speakers include Leo Kravetz, vice-president, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America; Rabbi Joseph Lookstein, president of the Jewish Ministers of New York and vice-president of the Mizrachi; Judge Anna M. Kross; B. Z. Goldberg, prominent Yiddish columnist; Rubin Saltzman, national secretary, Jewish American Section, International Workers Order.

Karolyi Heads London Hungarian Nat'l Council

A Hungarian National Council was established in London Sunday, under the leadership of Count Michael Karolyi, London press reports said yesterday.

The organization, which does not claim to be a government-in-exile, seeks the immediate withdrawal of Hungary from the war, the punishment of Admiral Nicholas Horthy, Hungary's pro-Nazi Regent, as the nation's Number One war criminal, and the development of a powerful Hungarian underground movement.

Simultaneously in New York under the auspices of the newly-formed "Action to Liberate Hungary," halled Karolyi as the recognized world leader of democratic Hungarians.

The London constituent conference of the Hungarian National Council was attended by representatives of three Hungarian associations. It resolved that democratic Hungarians would not recognize the occupation of Czechoslovak and Yugoslav territories by Horthy's puppet troops.

British Clearing Highway Between Imphal and Kohima

SOUTHEAST ASIA. HEAD-QUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, April 25 (UP).—Saying the full initiative north of Imphal, British Imperial troops have cleared out 22 miles of the road to Kohima and the Japanese were reported in full retreat from that sector tonight after losing nearly 10,000 men killed in their ill-starred invasion of India.

Blasting through one of the several road-blocks across the 68-mile Imphal-Kohima highway, English Home County and Indian Jat troops swept through the village of Kanglatong, 22 miles north of Imphal. The only opposition was from a rapidly withdrawing Japanese rear guard and the enemy had sowed wholesale destruction in an effort to cover his retreat.

"The initiative is now fully with the (British) 14th Army," an official observer reported.

CLEAR 30-MILE STRETCH
Swiftly following up their decisive victory at Kohima, the Imperials also had cleared out a 30-mile stretch of the 34-mile road from Imphal to Ukhrul, enabling two contingents of the 14th Army to link up in that area. Ukhrul is northeast of Imphal and through it passes a roundabout dirt road to Kohima, supplementing the main road.

An Allied observer said that 4,000 Japanese had been killed by actual count in the Manipur fighting while as many again were estimated to have been buried by their comrades or fallen under Allied artillery and aerial bombardment behind the lines.

Mopping up operations are continuing in the Kohima area, an Allied communique reported. With the clearing of Japanese siege forces from around the town, the Allies were able to bring heavy reinforcements from Dimapur to expedite the drive to link up Kohima and Imphal.

An English Home Counties regiment spearheaded the assault on the road block north of Imphal and when they had made a breach a battalion of the Ninth Indian Jais raced through and overran several Japanese forward positions, holding them against counter-attacks.

Fighting Man Meets His Son



Master Sgt. Charles Godfrey, who has just returned from the South Pacific where he has been fighting the Japanese for 18 months gets acquainted with his 11-month old son, Charles Jr. for the first time at his Salem, Mass., home.

German Colony in Turkey Resists Nazis

(Daily Worker Foreign Department)

ANKARA, April 25.—Anticipating the inevitable doom of the Nazi regime many Germans in Turkey are hastily disassociating themselves from the Hitlerites.

Recently, a Gestapo representative arrived in Turkey to check up on affairs in the German colony. Under his supervision, many "unreliables" were sent back to Germany. These facts came to light after several officials from the German consulate in Istanbul had fled.

But the Gestapo hasn't succeeded in frightening the entire German colony.

Recently, the Hitlerites decided to organize celebrations for Hitler's birthday. All members of the German colony at Ankara and Istanbul received a stern warning to report for the "celebration" at the embassy clubroom on April 19.

For several days the Hitlerite "Turkish Post" appealed to the Germans to take part in this celebration. The paper announced the

expected arrival of a Ministry of Propaganda official who would deliver a special report for the occasion.

Despite all preparations and hullabaloo the celebration didn't take place, as only Gestapo agents and active members of the Hitlerite Party reported there. The "Turkish Post" thereupon announced that the "celebration" of Hitler's birthday had been postponed.

Cleveland Rally May 10 To Hear Philip Murray

CLEVELAND, April 25. — CIO President Philip Murray will address a political action rally here May 10. Murray will be in town for the national convention of the CIO United Steelworkers.

Sidney Hillman, chairman of the CIO Political Action Committee, is also expected to address the May 10 meeting which will open a drive for the November elections.

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N.Y. Press Sedition Coverage a Disgrace

By John Meldon

New York's newspapers are divided into two categories in their handling of the news of the trial of the fascist seditionists now going on in Washington.

The newspapers behind the war, excepting the N. Y. Post and PM, are committing an inexcusable error in burying the story and presenting "objective" routine reports, while the anti-Roosevelt newspapers are either ignoring the trial entirely, or distorting it into a "persecution" affair.

A survey of the Herald Tribune, New York Times, World Telegram, Journal-American, Daily News, New York Mirror, New York Post and PM revealed the following:

1. The big win-the-war papers, such as the Herald Tribune and the Times are treating the trial in a routine, formal fashion. Worst than that, their so-called objectivity of reporting the trial of these deadly enemies within our midst, give their readers a one-sided picture of the courtroom scene—the picture the seditionists want the readers to get. A check-up of the Tribune and the Times stories shows that the most quoted persons are the seditionists themselves and the lawyers. The reader, if he didn't know of the treacherous background and activities of the defendants before the trial started, would be led to the conclusion that the defendants are being persecuted for political reasons.

Underplaying Trial

Both the Tribune and the Times started off the first several days of the trial by putting the story prominently

on the front page. Neither has yet commented editorially. The Tribune, after a page one story Wednesday, April 18, the day after it started, and again on the following day, put it on page 2 the third day of the trial, page 3 the next day, page 15 on Monday and from then on buried it.

The Times even dropped the story from its index several days after the court battle.

However, for sheer suppression of news, that great advocate of the free press, the Hearst Journal-American takes the cake. Occasionally, the Journal-American has run small one column head accounts of the trial's proceedings—deep inside, blanketed by big ads. Last Saturday, Hearst ignored the story entirely but played Senator Wheeler's blast of the administration's war aims on the front page.

How Telly Does It

The pussyfooting World-Telegram uses another strategy: It headlines every angle against the so-called New Deal it can squeeze from the story. For instance, Friday, April 21, a two-column lead story headed "Smythe Blames Politics for Sedition Arrest." Monday, April 23, a two-column lead story with the heading, "Plot Suspect Plays 'New Dealer' Judge."

Saturday April 22, a big play on Smythe's defense attorney, putting the lead of the story on attorney James J. Laughlin's tricky attempt to halt the trial until "the legality of the proceedings can be investigated."

The defeatist Daily News, which for years fed the seditionists with ideas, is quietly laying back, commenting as little as possible on the trial. Its street-walker

sister, the Mirror, imported former Daily News columnist George Dixon to write a column purporting to show that the trial is a farce because the defendants are a bunch of irresponsible crackpots. Dixon laughingly said that one of the defendants has the habit of drooling in public when she gets riled up. They are all screw, see?

PM, Post Do Good Job

Both PM and the N. Y. Post have done a commendable job in playing the seditionists' trial with a realization of its meaning. They are to be congratulated for this.

The German people laughed at a little guy with a funny mustache and his "crackpot" associates during the "beer hall putch" trial at Munich. The files of the German newspapers at that time would probably show that they took the whole affair lightly.

The win-the-war press in this country must learn the lessons of history. These men and women, being prosecuted by the government today in a Washington courtroom, represent a small, vicious segment of the fifth column still at work on our shores. This trial is big news—the trial itself in democracy striking back in defense of its war against the Axis and in defense of its home security. That's not routine news by any means.

To date, the big win-the-war newspapers have not aided the government and the people in joining wholeheartedly in this battle. It is not too late to get busy and arouse the American people to the historic significance of what is going on in the federal courtroom in Washington at this moment.

Senate Passes 32 Billion Navy Appropriation Bill

WASHINGTON, April 25 (UP).—

The Senate, by unanimous action which was at once "an assurance to our Allies and a warning to our enemies that Uncle Sam means business," today approved a \$32,000,000,000 Navy appropriation bill—largest in history—and heard several members assert that the mighty U. S. fleet must be maintained at full strength after the war.

The 61 to 0 vote sent the measure back to the House for concurrence in Senate deletion of \$12,400,000 from the House-approved total.

Sen. John H. Overton, D. La., said that the bill, which boosts Navy appropriations for the past three years to \$94,000,000,000, represents the peak request anticipated.

Overton said the present bill "will provide for more than 24,000 aircraft ships," in addition to \$8,000,000,000 for new ship construction, \$22,000,000,000 for personnel, \$5,714,000,000 for maintenance and operation of the fleet, \$1,700,000,000 for shore installations and \$1,143,000,000 for the Marine Corps.

Memorial Meeting Today To Honor AFL Organizer

A memorial meeting honoring Max Weiner, late organizer of the Suit Case, Bag and Portfolio Makers Union, AFL, will be held today (Wednesday) at 5 P.M. at Irving Plaza.

Nat'l Drive Urged To Save Price Act

Organized consumers in this city and throughout the country are preparing to de-fuse the "booby trap" amendments planted by poll-taxer Rep. Howard Smith in the new price control act now being discussed in Congress.

National Price Control Week set for May 17-24 will mobilize consumer councils everywhere to keep the President's stabilization program on the books.

In New York City, consumers will meet at City Hall April 29 (Saturday) to take up "Your Stake in the Cost of Living." Six panels dealing with all aspects of consumer problems will be addressed by experts in wholesale, retail and consumer fields.

The New York City Council, in letters to affiliated groups here pointed out yesterday that the idea of a national price control week was its "brainchild. The idea came to Washington via the New York City Consumer Council."

NYCCC declares the week of May 17-24 "Price Control Week," reports the letter. "We urge all neighborhood consumer councils, clubs, settlements and unions to have meetings and rallies on price control."

Greenwich House consumers are holding a rally Wednesday, May 3, at 27 Barrow St. to save price control legislation from the "if" and "but" and "and" disruptions. Councilman Michael Quill, the Rev. A. Clayton Powell, OPA administrator Daniel P. Woolley, Judge Anna M. Kroes, Mildred A. Gutwillig, and others are scheduled to appear.

The City Hall all-day conference will deal with Black Markets, Government and Consumer in Price Control, Buying for Quality, Rent Control, Conservation, Application

To Mark May Day By Recruiting Drive on Sunday

Because Sunday, April 30, is the day before May Day, Communist Clubs throughout the city are planning an unusual recruiting mobilization.

First, they're celebrating May Day a day ahead. All Communists are reporting to their clubs for a few hours on Sunday to receive three copies of the May Day issue of The Worker. They will take these copies to friends or neighbors who are either readers of The Worker or close to the Communist Party.

Second, they will try to recruit at least one new member each for the Communist Party in honor of May Day and its long working class tradition which today resolves into a world-wide fight against fascism. Every recruit will be a contribution to this fight.

Third, leading members of the New York State Committee of the Communist Party will tour the clubs in honor of this mobilization. Israel Amter and Bill Lawrence will go to the Bronx, Rose Green to Brooklyn and David Goldway to Queens. The offices of the State Committee will be open all day to hear the results.

Good results can strengthen the force which fights most consistently against those who would divide the people at home and abroad, the State committee said.

Boston Rally Sun. To Back Invasion

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, April 25.—A united labor rally to back the invasion has been arranged in this city for Sunday, April 30 at 4 P. M. on historic Boston Common. Among the speakers who will address the meeting at the Parkman Bandstand Sunday afternoon will be Democratic State Senator Maurice Goldman; Richard Liney, international representative, United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers Union; Prof. F. O. Matthiessen, vice-president, Massachusetts State Federation of Teachers, AFL; Mrs. Nan Halpern, chairman, Greater Boston Council of Organized Consumers; and John S. R. Bourne, president, New England Congress for Equal Opportunities.

In case of rain the rally will be held at the Brantley School Auditorium, 29 Warren St., corner Shawmut Ave., opposite the Bradford Hotel.

The rally is being sponsored by a committee of CIO and AFL leaders and leaders of Slav Committees of Boston, the New England Congress for Equal Opportunities, Armenian Progressive League and the International Workers Order.

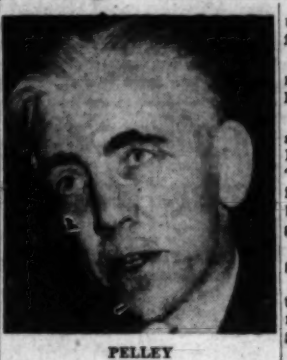
Fascists on Trial

Pelley--Founder of Silver Shirts

William Dudley Pelley, who founded the Silver Shirts January 30, 1933, the day Hitler took power, will be seeing a familiar face if Charles Lindbergh is called to the sedition trial in Washington as a defense witness.

Lindbergh was a visitor to Pelley's trial in Indianapolis, where he was sentenced to prison two years ago. Pelley's Roll Call hailed Lindbergh as America's "Man on Horseback" and listed the America First spokesman with Ford, General Moseley and Senator Wheeler, as "U. S. Leaders."

Pelley is a key fascist with many connections. His advertisements for forged Protocols of Zion used to go into the franked envelopes of Rep. Hamilton Fish of New York. This anti-Semitic fifth, 11 columns at one time, was run in the New York



PELLEY

Daily News. Pelley's career ranged from fiction writing to professional spirit-

ualism to strike-breaking and open fascism.

His Silver Shirts represents a marriage of Ku Klux Klanism to Nazism.

A propagandist for the Japanese as well as the Nazis, he wrote in Roll Call on March 2, 1942, that "... Nippon is coming to the fore in the East because it typifies the best and finest flower of the Mongolian culture."

He admired the Dies Committee greatly.

At a friendly hearing before Martin Dies Pelley said that the committee was doing the work of the Silver Shirt legion.

Pelley's yellow, kraft-paper face, with its thatch of dirty gray hair, looks more dead than alive. But his roving black eyes show that he's as alive as a snake.

Forbes Memorial Meeting Friday

The memory of Hank Forbes will be honored Friday night at a memorial meeting under the auspices of the New York State Committee of the Communist Party.

Forbes, Communist leader killed in action at the Anzio Beachhead, was the first secretary of the New York County Committee of the Communist Party. From New York he went to Pittsburgh where he continued his work until drafted into the army.

Speaking at the memorial meeting will be Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Israel Amter, Benjamin J. Davis, Jr. and Peter V. Cacchione, leaders of the Communist Party.

The meeting will start at 8 P. M. at Tom Mooney Hall, 13 Astor Place, Manhattan.

Queens Browder Meeting April 30

Queens County clubs are buzzing with activity in preparation for the Browder meeting in their county. Clubs are making pledges for specific numbers of recruits, to be obtained by Sunday, April 30, at 8 P. M., when Earl Browder will speak. The meeting will be held in the Jamaica Arena, 91-16 144th Place, Jamaica.

Communist Party members in Queens have pledged to come all out on Sunday morning, April 30, at the city-wide mobilization. They expect that this mobilization will guarantee the fulfillment of their goals set for the Browder meeting.

Army Bulletin Warns Racism Perils Victory

By Eugene Gordon

The War Department, probably stung by criticism of past undemocratic attitudes toward Negro soldiers, seems to be on the point of mending.

This fact is noted in an article by the Rev. Ben Richardson, assistant pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church, in this week's issue of the People's Voice. Mr. Richardson reviews a new War Department pamphlet entitled "The Command of Negro Troops."

The pamphlet is intended to create "a fuller degree of understanding between Negro soldiers and the white men who now, or may in the future, command them."

"Commanders are told point blank that Negro soldiers frequently have lower averages on the Army General Classification Tests than do white men processed the same time," writes Mr. Richardson, "but this is the result, it says, of Negroes' having been denied opportunities in technical trades or jobs as civilians."

Commanders are told also that the comparatively low averages that occasionally appear "must not be taken as a sign that the Negro soldier cannot learn, but that he has not been given a chance previously and must be given one now."

Population trends, due to the shift of the Negro from the South, are noted, the pamphlet showing that, whereas one of every five Negro soldiers came from the North during the first world war, three of every five now come from the North.

This fact is, in turn, reflected in the findings of the general classification tests, in which the Negro

College Fund Hike Called Inadequate

The projected restoration by the Board of Estimate of \$275,000 of the \$410,000 cut in funds for the city colleges proposed by Mayor LaGuardia was characterized as a partial, but insufficient, victory yesterday by Dr. Sarah R. Riedman, president of the College Teachers' Union, CIO.

The Board is scheduled to meet tomorrow (Thursday) on the appropriation. Advance reports have cited the \$275,000 figure as the amount to be restored.

Of that amount, \$200,000 is expected to go to City College and \$75,000 to Hunter College. The original slashes contained in the Mayor's budget would have meant the firing of 75 teachers at CCNY and 57 at Hunter.

Dr. Riedman said yesterday that the appropriation for the colleges made no provision for cost-of-living increases for teachers. All other city employees have received such increases. She also stated that heavier evening school registrations and the needs of returning veterans who plan to go back to college were not considered in the cuts proposed by the Mayor.

The proposed restoration was also called inadequate by Clifford T. McAvoy, Legislative Director of the New York City CIO Council. McAvoy claimed that keeping the colleges going at a level which would meet wartime requirements necessitated at least that the minimum request of Dr. Tead for \$325,000 must be heeded.

The CIO Council condemned the cut at a recent meeting and asked that it be restored.

Lyons 'Letter to Liberals' An Insult to Real Liberalism

By Louis F. Budenz

Eugene Lyons is maligning American liberals. In the current number of the American Mercury he strives to make them take everything decent out of their "liberal" name.

This he does through a "Letter to American Liberals," in which he seeks to line up people of that designation against our Soviet ally. Of course, this is what might be expected of Lyons. His has been a notorious Soviet-baiting career. His books caricaturing the Soviet Union were of great help to the Manchukuo, even causing a foggy view of the Soviet country harmful to our own nation's welfare.

Lyons is a favorite, too, of the Dubinsky-Rose group which is now withdrawing from the American Labor Party. They are planning what they hope to call a "Liberal Party." Lyons presents a good sample of what they envisage by

liberalism. It is an anti-United Nations, and therefore an anti-victory view.

In order that his "letter" may not be too crude, Lyons opens up by reminding liberals: "Do you recall the time when the fate of Sudetenland was in the balance?" He does this in order to attempt the monstrous act of comparing Hitlerism to Soviet democracy. But that was a bad choice for this professional Soviet-baiter. What was Lyons doing at the time of the Sudetenland crisis and right up to the time when it became evident that the Soviet Union would prove to be America's powerful ally?

He was assailing the reputation and belittling the power of the Soviet Union and thereby opening up America for easier Hitlerite attack. By his constant falsehoods about the strength and unity of the Soviet nation, he was putting in his oar against that understand-

ing between America and the USSR which could have strangled Hitler through collective security.

Lyons is particularly concerned about the Polish government in exile. So far does he go as to suggest that Poland be given a part in determining the internal affairs of the Soviet Union. The anti-Semitic and semi-fascist government of colonels is again put forward, now by Lyons, as a possible spearhead for intervention in Soviet affairs. This incredible suggestion—designed to insult the ally which has laid down millions of lives in our common cause—appears on page 572 of the Mercury.

What Lyons is up to is self-evident. It is to create havoc in the conquering ranks of the United Nations. It runs along the same path as the activities of his friends in the Dubinsky-Rose camp. They are proving to be enemies of victory.

Bronx Child Care Group to Meet

The Bronx Coordinating Committee on Child Care Problems, which last week defended Councilman Michael J. Quill against red-baiting attacks by American Legion Commander O'Keefe, is meeting today to set up a permanent council to carry on the work of the successful April 13 conference on child care.

The meeting will take place at 3 P. M. in Councilman Quill's office, 2488 Grand Concourse, the Bronx, with delegates from the 88 organizations which took part in the April 13 conference. Other points on the agenda include rallying support for the school free hot lunch program and discussion of a fast moving petition campaign directed at Governor Dewey.

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They Need Your Aid



Reduced to rags and patches, these Russian grandmothers in a liberated village near Smolensk pose for a Red Army photographer wearing the registration tags forced on all civilians by the Nazis. Russian War Relief is asking New Yorkers to share their clothing with destitute Russians, young and old, who have lost everything during more than two years of Nazi occupation. Russian War Relief's New York drive for 1,000,000 pounds of clothing will open on May 1.

Gurley Flynn Setting Pace for Ben, Pete

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn says that if she is leading the recruiting race and is ahead of Peter V. Cacchione and Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., two A-1 Communist recruiters, well, she's pleased.

Not that it's a battle of the sexes, she says. And she doesn't want to "crow." But facts are facts.

Today Gurley Flynn has 117 recruits. Pete has 99 and Ben has 38. Ben's record is incomplete but it doesn't touch Gurley Flynn's.

WHIRLWIND RECRUITER

Listen to a few of Gurley Flynn's doings this past week. On April 18 she went to the Brighton Communist Club cut in Brooklyn. Pete's territory no less, and recruited a woman furrier, a Negro worker, a student and a saleslady. On April 19 she went to Chelsea in Manhattan and recruited 16, mostly women, three ILGWU workers included. On April 20 she went out to Queens and added nine more, Negro and white, all aircraft workers. This in-

cluded six women, one being a welder, one a Negro assembler, one a mechanic and three general aircraft.

To top it all off, Gurley Flynn recruited 28 on the following day, April 21. Of these 21 were women from the Upper West Side, Manhattan, and the Bronx. They included cutters, shoe workers, millinery workers, ILGWU members, social workers and housewives. Figures are figures. We'll have more next week. But in the meanwhile, Pete and Ben had better look to their laurels. May 20, date of the National Communist Party Convention, is the deadline.

New Sub Hunter Launched, Crew Has 53 Negroes

The second naval vessel to be manned by a predominantly Negro crew, the PC 1264, was placed in commission yesterday at a Navy pier in New York City and soon will be on the high seas hunting down Axis submarines.

A sleek 173-foot sub hunter of a type used largely for escort duty, the vessel carries 83 Negroes in her ship's company, including several rated as first and second class petty officers.

Like the destroyer escort Mason, recently commissioned in Boston with a largely Negro crew, it is officered by whites and the crew includes eight white petty officers classed as instructors. As soon as Negro sailors qualify through experience and training they will replace these white petty officers, the Third Naval District asserted. Negro officers are not yet available, the Navy added, but a number of Negroes have been commissioned in the Navy in recent months.

The PC 1264 was placed in full commission by Commander H. F. Sasse, U. S. N. (Ret.), assistant to the Captain of the Yard, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y. He headed the commissioning orders of the Navy Department in the presence of the entire ship's company mustered in dress uniform on the fantail of the ship, and Lieut. Eric Purdon, U. S. N. R., commanding officer, then assumed command.

Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y. He read the formal commissioning orders. The Union Jack at the jackstaff at the bow, and the commission pennant were broken simultaneously and the ship's watch was set.

The crew members have been especially trained for their duties at the Submarine Chaser Training School, Miami, Fla.

In connection with the commissioning of the PC 1264, the ship's crew has been "adopted" by the Harlem Branch, New York City, Defense Recreation Council, in accordance with a policy originated last year for the crews of amphibious craft.

Chicago Labor Calls Italy Parley
CHICAGO, April 25.—Labor leaders from CIO and AFL are joint sponsors of a conference of Italian-American trade unionists at the Hamilton Hotel here Sunday, May 14, at 1:30 P. M.

Wichita Flood Waters



Wading was the correct thing in Wichita, Kansas, when rivers in that state and Missouri overran their banks during heavy rainstorms. Amphibious units from Camp Phillips are helping the Red Cross care for thousands made homeless.

Lombardo Urges ILO Role Be Revised

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delegates when they were in the ILO. One of those "difficulties," he noted, was the absence of employers in the Soviet Union, so its representation was "rather shadowy."

Watt took the occasion to express the Soviet-hating sentiments of the controlling bureaucrats in the AFL for whom he speaks. Regarding the Soviet Union's observation that some fascist states were invited to attend, he said that "the Russians know more about dictatorships than some delegates do."

Senator Elbert Thomas, also U. S. delegate, thought the Soviet Union should have sent observers and not "depend on secondary sources."

Lombardo's conference speech touched the very core of the problem that had been but vaguely indicated by spokesmen of other semi-colonial or colonial areas. It wasn't a special labor speech. As he said, "for us there exists no difference between the solutions for the workers' problems and the solutions for the problems of our nation as a whole."

Progress below the Rio Grande, said Lombardo, has been slower, not because of any peculiarities of their people or their climate.

SEMI-COLONIAL
"It is rather due to the fact that Latin America is a congeries of semi-colonial countries, dependent on the big international monopolies, which exploit it as a zone for capital investment, a source of raw material and of markets for manufactured products," he said. "The big international monopolies have deformed the structure and the economic evolution of the Latin American countries in such a manner that their peoples do not produce in accordance with their consumption needs, but in conformance to the exigencies of foreign industry."

"The big international monopolies exploit the countries of Latin America through the following mechanisms: (1) paying very low wages to the native workers; (2) paying very low taxes and tariffs to the national governments; (3) paying very low freight rates to the transportation systems; (4) buying raw materials at very low prices; and (5) selling their manufactured products at very high prices."

"The big international monopolies have blocked the economic development of the Latin American countries, by means of the following mechanism: (1) preserving the latifundia system of agricultural production; (2) obstructing the progress of industry, especially inter-Latin American trade; (3) supporting the native reactionary forces; (4) displacing native industrialists; (5) fighting against the peasant and labor movements; (6) provoking conflicts between the Latin American countries."

The conference will break up into commissions tomorrow.

Singer UE Elects 2 Negro Officers

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ELIZABETH N. J., April 25.—Two Negro workers are among the officers chosen by CIO workers at Singer Sewing Machine Co. to head their United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers local.

Louise Devine and Eugene Gaddy, who both work in the shop's foundry, were elected vice-president and recording secretary respectively.

There are approximately 350 Negroes among the plant's 5,000 workers.

Other officers are Louis Schumann, president; John Young, second vice-president; Anthony Rodriguez, financial secretary; and Helmut Heberlein, treasurer.

War Oath Applies To Press-Devers

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overseas theater we are poised for an invasion and in other theaters we are in a life and death struggle with our enemies, is to imbue and help maintain a determination and courage of our field forces and our forces at home."

The business part of the first day of the convention was taken up chiefly with discussions, all held in executive session, of problems of small newspapers with circulations up to 50,000.

Carl A. Jones, of the Johnson City, Tenn., Press-Chronicle, reported that small papers were dropping many of the syndicated features and serials in order to increase local news coverage.

He said this tendency was showing results in greater local circulation.

The Jones report was not in line with the general ballyhoo of the feature syndicates, especially that of the Hearst King Feature Syndicate, which was host of all the publishers at a great luncheon and show held during the afternoon.

The Hearst enterprise as a sales talk gave the out-of-town publishers the best Broadway could offer in line of entertainment, including Frank Sinatra, Joe E. Lewis, Andrews Sisters, Gertrude Niesen, Jerry Lester, the Army chorus group from Winged Victory and Dunninger. The only slip-up in the show was made by Dunninger, the magician who calls himself a mentalist, when he fumbled a card trick with Herbert Hoover.

The McCormick isolationist press of Chicago was considerably in evidence with a large exhibit.

Berle Urges Int'l Air Base Equality

WASHINGTON, April 25 (UP).—Informed sources revealed today that the State Department considers postwar ownership of lend-lease air bases as relatively unimportant but will insist that the United States have access to them on equal terms with other nations.

This position was said to have been taken by Assistant Secretary of State Adolf A. Berle, Jr., in London during his recent exploratory talks on aviation.

Party Life: Learning to Keep New Members

By John Williamson

It is not too early to concern ourselves with keeping the thousands—already over 17,000 by now—of new members who have been enrolled in the present Recruiting Campaign. An analysis of last year's recruiting indicates that some districts lost between 25 and 35 per cent of the new members. This is mainly a criticism of the Party and not of the new member. Above all, it indicates that close personal ties were not established between the Club and the new member so that they could avail themselves of the political understanding and guidance that every member expects from the Party in order to be more effective in their daily activities.

The urgent problems confronting our nation and the contributions the Communists must make to the nation demand that there be no repetition of this neglect of new members this year. Today we can only offer the new member political understanding and fellowship and thus aid them to become more effective workers and leaders in their shop, community, trade union, political party or wherever they are active.

One of the best means of assuring that the new member remains an active and influential Communist is by getting everyone of them to become regular daily readers of the Daily Worker. Out of town, this is made still easier by signing up every new member as a Daily Worker Club Subscriber at the time they join the Communist organization. In New York it means acquainting the new members with the paper helping them to read it and telling them which newsstand nearest their home or shop carries it.

In past months many thousands have become Daily Worker Club Subscribers. The Districts showing the greatest understanding of this problem, both in getting Club Subs and sustaining them indefinitely, are Wisconsin, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio.

There are a few districts where the failure to establish a simple apparatus for collecting the monthly payments, has resulted in hundreds of workers being denied the Daily Worker although they are ready and willing to receive it, read it and pay for it. These are Michigan, Maryland, New England and Ohio, which were previously among the best in sustained Club Subs, have been "slipping" recently and need a strengthening of their apparatus.

New goals have been set by every District to be reached by the time of the National Convention. These can be reached if the Club Subscription is made a part of the recruiting activities. Where it has been neglected, a systematic recheck should be undertaken as part of the process of visiting new members, giving them their membership books and a kit of literature, and introducing them to their Club.

The Illinois Pre-Convention Bulletin has an article by Lola Mucci, which is an indication of real understanding of this problem, from which all Districts can learn. It reads in part as follows:

"South Bend has set an example for the whole district to follow. Of their 52 recruits, 29 members or 56 per cent signed up for the Daily Worker. But even this is not the whole story, for 88 per cent of the new members are readers of the paper—14 of them having someone in the family who gets the paper, and three already having regular subscriptions."

"This is the kind of report we would like to have from every branch in our district, but unfortunately the district average is 27 per cent of the new recruits which have Daily Worker Club subs. If we did have such a report of 88 per cent for the district, you and I and all other comrades would not have to be quite so worried about the assimilation of the new members into the Party."

"Nor is it too late now to sign up members already recruited for club subs. They are entitled to new members' rates until June 1. For example, look at the following based on figures early in April:

	Club	New	Sub
24th Ward	75	25	33.3
2nd Ward	132	40	30
46th Ward	28	7	25
Back-of-Yards	39	10	25

"These are about the district average. A real campaign should be launched with careful check-up, to try and get every member already recruited and still to be recruited to be a Daily Worker reader."

Let every district be equally concerned with reaching its Convention goal of Daily Worker Club Subscribers and help guarantee that the new member becomes a more effective worker and leader amongst the masses of the people in the political struggles of 1944.

Foes of Poll Tax Leave for Capital

By Eugene Gordon

A delegation of 30 anti-polltaxers leave the Pennsylvania station for Washington at 6:30 this morning to personally urge Senate supporters of HR-7 to call up the measure for debate to rally against any filibuster attempt.

The delegation, led by the Rev. Richard Morford, chairman of the New York State Committee to Abolish the Polltax, will confer today at 11 A. M. in the national offices of that organization and then proceed to interviews with Senators James M. Mead (D-NY), Pat McCarran (D-Nev.), Alben Barkley (D-Ky.) and Robert F. Wagner (D-NY), each of whom has pledged to support HR-7.

Organizations represented in the delegation include the National Negro Congress; Brownsville Committee to Abolish the Polltax; Chiefs and Cooks and Pastry Local 89, AFL; State, County and Municipal Workers, CIO; International Labor Defense; Negro Labor Victory Committee; Transport Workers Union, CIO; National Maritime Union, CIO; National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses; Laundry Workers Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, CIO; Wholesale Warehouse Workers Union; Furriers Joint Council; United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Local 450; Upper West Side Citizens Committee; Peoples Committee.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will join the delegation in Washington.

Several religious organizations are represented, including Mother Zion AME Church, by the Rev. B. C. Robeson, and the Congregational Church of Queens Village, by the Rev. Donald Strickland. The Women's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church has requested its Washington representative to join the delegation.

Progressive anti-polltaxers, in the meantime, took note yesterday of the so-called United Committee Against the Polltax Filibuster. It is headed by Jay Holmes Smith and comprises a bloc of organizations notorious for open opposition to HR-7 because it was written up by Rep. Vito Marcantonio.

The anti-polltaxers had been trying for weeks, some of them yesterday, to bring the Holmes

group into cooperative action, but to no avail.

The Holmes group has, on the other hand, appealed for support of its intended picketline around the Senate the moment the bill is called up.

That the picket line is an improper device at this time is the unanimous opinion of all organizations following the leadership of the National Committee to Abolish the Polltax. A picketline at the instant the bill was called up, spokesmen said, would hinder rather than help passage of HR-7.

Miss Thelma Dale, executive secretary of the National Negro Congress, said that some of the persons listed as Holmes' followers were undoubtedly misled. She named Lillian Smith, author of *Strange Fruit*, as one.

Miss Dale, along with Mr. Morford, Louis Coleman (ILD) and Moran Weston (Negro Labor Victory Committee), declared that all lovers of democracy must not only continue their wires and letters to Senators Mead, McCarran, Wagner and Barkley, but must increase the number of such protestations against further delay and for vigorous support of HR-7.

12 Picked for Sedition Jury

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that he could give persons accused of anti-Semitism a fair trial.

Koehn had earlier injected the issue of "communism" when Kaadon said he came from Minsk, Russia, 40 years ago. The court overruled Koehn, declaring that the general questions asked all prospective jurors had covered the case.

Kimhurst's lawyer raised the anti-Semitic issue again by inference when he demanded that the justice question veniremen in government service about the "race" to which their superiors belonged.

That was rejected. Earlier Kaadon's lawyer had asserted that jurors of Jewish blood would not be accepted in a case involving the issue of anti-Semitism.

Three jurors tentatively chosen are veterans of the first World War. Most of the 12 have close relatives in the armed services.

Kaadon, the lone Jew, for instance, has a son who is a third class yeoman in the Navy and a daughter who is "somewhere in Australia" with the Red Cross. One woman has a cousin in the Army and a brother in the Navy.

Such relatives, ruled the court, are not grounds to disqualify a juror.

Joseph I. Gleason, a member of the AFL Machinists Union, who works in the government printing office, was the only selectee who answered "yes" to the question as to labor union connections. The court accepted him.

Harlem Rally To Hear Browder

Top on the May 7 calendar will be the big celebration and meeting to end Jim-crow, scheduled for 3 P. M., at the Golden Gate Ballroom in Harlem.

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